



**Louisiana Department of Health
Health Plan Advisory 20-13
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Novel Coronavirus Disease (COVID-19) Update for Pediatric Day Health Care (PDHC) Facilities: Temporary Allowance of In-Home Services

The Louisiana Department of Health is temporarily changing the Pediatric Day Health Care (PDHC) program policies to allow services to be provided in the home during the COVID-19 health emergency. Skilled staff of PDHC centers who are not exhibiting any signs or symptoms of COVID-19 may render PDHC services to those enrollees who require skilled nursing, when families are not able to provide such care in the home.

The following guidelines apply:

- PDHC centers must bill for in-home services using procedure code T1026 (hourly PDHC services – six hours or less per day) with place of service 12 (home); and
- Managed care organization (MCO) approval for these services will be required. Requests will be reviewed on a case-by-case basis. If the MCO intends to deny a request, the request along with any supporting documentation on why the plan has made the decision to deny the request must be sent to Norma.Seguin@la.gov prior to the issuance of a denial.

MCOs must distribute [Informational Bulletin 20-12](#) to all PDHC providers.

Questions should be directed to Norma Seguin at Norma.Seguin@la.gov.